

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 591
By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor Ashley Barnickle, 1996 Salutatorian of
Smyrna High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Barnickle is such an outstanding student who has distinguished herself as salutatorian of the 1996 graduating class at Smyrna High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Ashley has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, in her laudable high school career, Ashley has earned an exceptional 3.731 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Ashley has been active in a number of academic and extracurricular activities of which even a brief list is inspiring; she has been a member of the Science Club, Beta Club, Beta Epsilon, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Junior Classical League, the Historical Society, the Pep Club, the marching and concert bands, and the Science and Academic Quiz Bowl team; and

WHEREAS, she has been chosen to represent her school at the Governor's School for Tennessee Heritage and Girl's State; she has amassed awards from various academic contests

including the Motlow Social Studies Contest, the Vanderbilt Science Fair, the Science Olympiad, and the National Latin Exam; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her educational activities, Ashley has been very active in her church; she has served as captain of the Bible Bowl team, has taught Sunday school and Vacation Bible School; and

WHEREAS, a very civic minded individual, Ashley volunteers regularly at the Sam Davis Home and has been an active volunteer for the Red Cross blood mobile; and

WHEREAS, Ashley's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success at Middle Tennessee State University, where she will major in elementary education; and

WHEREAS, Ashley's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Barnickle, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ashley's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor Ashley Barnickle, 1996 Salutatorian of Smyrna High School, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.